(d) A list is appended. (*Appendix VI.*)

(e) The lapse could not be anticipated.

Opening of the Poor House at Ernakulam.

146. Mr. Paul Mampilli.—Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) has the Poor House at Ernakulam been opened for use ;

(b) if not, why has it not yet been opened ;

(c) when was the construction of the buildings completed;

(d) what amount has already been invested on the scheme?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) No.

(b) The Municipal Regulation was amended only in 1107 to enable the Municipal Council to contribute towards the maintenance of the institution. Also the first Poor House Committee has ceased to function under Section III of the Poor House Scheme and the Committee is being reconstituted to enable it to start the institution.

(c) Towards the end of 1104.

(d) Acquisition charges Rs. 5,000.
Buildings ,, 14,391.

Mr. Paul Mampilli.—When did the Poor House committee cease to function ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It ceased a few months back.

Mr. Paul Mampilli.—Date ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I have not got exact dates. Four or five months back.

Mr. Paul Mampilli.—May I know why it was not constituted again ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It has been re-constituted very recently.

Mr. Joseph Pettah.—May I know who was responsible for amending this Regulation ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The initiative can be taken either by the Government or by the Municipality or by any of the Members of the Committee.

Mr. Joseph Pettah.—When was the initiative taken?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I want notice.

Mr. Joseph Pettah.—Who contributed funds for the scheme?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Government grant.

Opening of a road connecting the Poyya—Mala road with the Puthenvelikkara road.

147. Mr. Paul Mampilli.—Will the Government be pleased to state :—

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(a) whether any action has been taken for the opening of a short road to connect the Poyya—Mala road with the Puthenvelikkara road;

(b) what is the distance of the road to be connected?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—(a) The work has been postponed in view of the heavy out-lay and there being no immediate necessity.

(b) One mile.

Kaicheri—Kuruvancheri road.

148. Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) whether they have received the land-plan for widening and improving the abovesaid road as undertaken by the Department of Public Works during the last budget session? (Vide Rep. 3rd series Vol. 3, part 8, P. 579).

(2) if received, what action has been taken on it?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—(1) No.

(2) The question does not arise in view of the above answer.

Widening of the Chalakkudi road in the Ollur bazaar.

149. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Government be pleased to state what steps, if any, they have taken to widen and improve the hopelessly narrow and bad condition of the Chalakkudi road in the Ollur bazaar after the last budget session?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—The encroachments proper have already been got removed and action has been taken to get the objectionable leases at the site cancelled.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Sir, when was the encroachment got removed?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—Some of the encroachments were removed last year.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—What action has been taken to get the objectionable leases cancelled?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—The matter is under correspondence.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Do the Government mean to say that they have not taken any action?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—It is under correspondence between the Chief Engineer and the Diwan Peishkar.

Mr. M. K. Raman.—When this correspondence began?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Orders were passed on the question about a week or 5 days back.

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